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Direct Benefit Transfer
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

a) Whether the Government has implemented Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) in various Central Government Schemes;
(b) If so, the details thereof along with the amount disbursed/ transferred, scheme-wise, State-wise;
(c) Whether the Government proposed to expand the scope of DBT by incorporating more such schemes under DBT; and
(d) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

(a) & (b) Government has initiated Direct Benefit Transfer w.e.f 01.01.2013 and as on 30.09.2016, 78 schemes of 17 Ministries/Departments have been reported on DBT. As on 30.09.2016 benefits of Rs. 1.44 lakh crore have been disbursed to about 32 cr beneficiaries. Scheme- wise details of the amount disbursed are enclosed.
(c) & (d) Government vide O.M. No. I-11011/145/2015-DBT-Cab(Pt.) have expanded the scope of DBT to include the following categories :-
Benefits
i. Cash transfer to Individual beneficiaries
ii. In-Kind Transfer to individual beneficiaries
Processes
The DBT programme also includes other transfers, comprising transfers made to various enablers of the government schemes like community workers, NGOs etc., in the form of honorarium, incentives etc. for implementation of various schemes like Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA) workers under National Health Mission (NHM), Aanganwadi workers under Integrated Child Development Services(ICDS), teachers in aided schools, Sanitation staff in Urban Local Bodies(ULBs) etc. who are not beneficiaries but are given wages, training, incentives etc.
To further expand the scope of DBT and to incorporate more schemes under DBT, DBT cells have been constituted in 30 States/UTs and 76 Central Ministries.